

WRECK  
SECTION  
No. ~~594~~

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

Wreck Report No. 13962

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Date of writing this report 21st December, 19 53

Ship's Name "NUEVO DOMINICANO"

No. 594

of Ciudad Trujillo

Tons { Gross 3445  
Net 2029

Built at Newcastle When 1926 4

Casualty notice sent to Owner 5.12.53

Owner's reply

Owners Government of Dominican Republic

Managers

Address Navy Department, Trujillo City, Dominican Republic

RETAIN

Classification details

10041	LMC
with freeboard	MS5,51
6,53	BS4,53
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	ts 5,53 CL

Fitted for oil fuel 4,26 F.P. above 150°F.

Date of Casualty 17th October, 1953.

Details of Casualty

This ship stranded on a reef near Cape Moa, Cuba, was refloated 26th November but subsequently sank in Moa Bay.

No reply has been received to a letter addressed to the Owners on 6th December, 1953.

RETAIN

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

NUEVO DOMINICANO. Havana, Oct. 17. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano, recently refloated from Cayo Romano, now reported hard ashore, pounding and abandoned by crew, position lat. 20 38 N., long. 74 45 W. (See issue of Oct. 15.)

— Miami, Oct. 17. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano reported ashore in lat. 20 38 N., long. 74 45 W., near Cape Moa Lighthouse, about 30 miles from Baracoa, Cuba. Master reports vessel full of water and pounding, abandoned, and crew en route to Baracoa.

DOMINICANO. New York, Oct. 17. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano reported stranded on Oct. 17 about 20 miles west of Baracoa, Cuba. Master reports vessel part flooded, pounding heavily, weather bad and crew abandoning vessel. — Salvage Association's Surveyor. (See issue of Oct. 19.)

NUEVO DOMINICANO. New York, Oct. 19. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Merritt's salvage tug Rescue is proceeding. — Salvage Association's Surveyor. (See issue of Oct. 20.)

Havana, Oct. 19. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Lloyd's Agent at Havana and surveyor from Miami, now at Baracoa, expected to board vessel late on Monday evening, Oct. 19. Merritt's salvage vessel Rescue now arriving. — Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

NUEVO DOMINICANO. London, Oct. 21. — The Salvage Association have received the following radio message from Lloyd's Agent at Havana, on board salvage tug Rescue, dated Oct. 20: Steamer Nuevo Dominicano is resting on reef, moving easily, all compartments flooded but bottom damages apparently not too severe. Merritt's contracting with master on "no cure no pay" terms. Surveyor and self remaining until able to examine pumped hull spaces. (See issue of Oct. 21.)

NUEVO DOMINICANO. Havana, Oct. 24. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Pumped out and leaks easily controlled, but efforts to free with two anchors and tug on Monday, Oct. 22, failed, owing to bar keel forming hook between boulders. When left on Friday morning, salvage crew using two additional anchors and 100 tons of sand ballast. If present good weather continues have no doubt of prompt refloating, but position is extremely exposed and first north would have disastrous consequences. — Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Oct. 22.)

NUEVO DOMINICANO. Havana, Oct. 27. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Master of salvage vessel reports 150 tons of sand ballast removed from forward hold and further lightening proceeding. Master of steamer delivered to master of salvage vessel this morning a letter of abandonment of vessel to salvage company. Salvage master received letter, but did not accept abandonment. Master of Nuevo Dominicano then departed for Baracoa. Weather still good. — Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Oct. 27.)

NUEVO DOMINICANO. New York, Oct. 28. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Merritt-Chapman & Scott's salvage vessel Rescue is continuing salvage operations. (See issue of Oct. 29.)

NUEVO DOMINICANO. New York, Oct. 30. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Merritt-Chapman & Scott's salvage vessel Rescue was continuing salvage operations p.m. Oct. 29. (See issue of Oct. 31.)

Havana, Oct. 31. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Tug reports stem moved 4 ft. and 11 ft. in two separate pulls. Weather good until yesterday but wind now freshening from NE., and may become beautiful if strength increases. — Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

NUEVO DOMINICANO. New York, Nov. 6. — Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Merritt-Chapman & Scott's salvage vessel Rescue continuing salvage operations. (See issue of Nov. 3.)

Suggested Record "STRANDED & SANK 10, 53"

Date of Committee TUESDAY 22 DEC 1953

Committee's Minute

Stranded & Sank 10.53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 9.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Visited scene of stranding on Nov. 7 and 8, finding salvage crew doing everything possible but vessel heavily stranded and progress handicapped by alternating periods of heavy weather, which requires flooding to prevent pounding, and other periods of flat calm without sufficient swells to assist movement. Ballast of sand and pig iron discharged but vessel does not have much removable weight and success of entire operation depends principally on heaving and towing. Vessel moved on Sunday, Nov. 8, about 5 ft.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 10.)

LL12/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 12.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano reported moved 14 ft. on Tuesday (Nov. 10) none yesterday. Weather calm but considerable swell expected to-day. (Later) Salvors report moved 3 ft. but operations hindered by absence of swell and tide.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 12.)

LL14/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 13.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Salvors report moved five feet.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 14.)

LL17/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Miami, Nov. 16.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Reported moved during heavy swells with net gain of 7 ft. Now preparing for special effort at high water on Nov. 18.—Lloyd's Agent at Havana per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 17.)

LL18/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—New York, Nov. 18.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Merritt-Chapman & Scott's salvage vessel Rescue is continuing salvage operations. (See issue of Nov. 18.)

LL23/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 20.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano swung 77 deg., now heading to anchor cables, which originally laid at right angles to hull.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 23.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano: Reported out 70 ft.; sea smooth.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 23.)

LL25/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 24.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano moved six feet; sea smooth.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 25.)

LL26/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 25.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano moved ahead 50 ft.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 26.)

LL27/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 26.—Steamer Nuevo Dominicano floated at noon to-day. Hope to advise owners selected repair port and expected time of arrival to-morrow.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association. (See issue of Nov. 27.)

LL28/11/53

**NUEVO DOMINICANO.**—Havana, Nov. 27.—Salvage vessel reports steamer Nuevo Dominicano foundered after arriving in Moa Bay, now resting on side in 100 feet of water with all Merritt's pumps and equipment on board.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.



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